

15 April 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Agency Radios

1. At a meeting chaired by Colonel White this morning, and attended by Messrs. Houston, Meyer, Briggs, [redacted] and me, it was agreed that chances were slim that Chairmen Ellender and Mahon would relent in their reluctance to include the Radios in upcoming discussions [redacted] Meyer and [redacted] reported on yesterday's 40 Committee meeting during which those present (Kissinger, Johnson, Packard, et al) apparently were under the impression that the status quo (i. e. Agency funding) could be maintained for another year; it was concluded that we should explore the possibility of getting legislation promptly since the Agency cannot legitimately fund the Radios after 30 June 1971.

2. Accordingly, Colonel White directed that Mr. Briggs and Mr. [redacted] discuss the problem with Office of Management and Budget, Meyer write a letter to the 40 Committee explaining the problem created by the attitude of Ellender and Mahon, and after this had been done Maury, Meyer, Briggs and perhaps others should meet with Bill Woodruff and Ralph Preston and examine the matter further.

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